

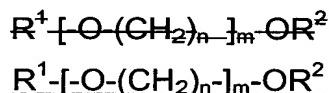
IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A composition of matter comprising:

- (a) a resinous component selected from at least one member of the group consisting of (co)polyester, (co)polycarbonates, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene, polyamide, polyurethane, polyalkyl(meth)acrylate and styrene copolymers;
- (b) at least one dye;
- (c) a carrier represented by the following formula,



wherein R² is butyl, R¹ is H, n is 2 or 3, and m is 2-35; and

- (d) optionally an emulsifier selected from at least one of: ionic emulsifiers; amphoteric emulsifiers; and non-ionic emulsifiers selected from at least one of C₁₄-C₁₈ ethoxylated unsaturated fatty acids, octylphenoxy polyethyleneoxyethanol and poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), alpha-phenyl-omega-hydroxy, styrenated; and
- (e) at least one member selected from the group consisting of metal flakes, titanium dioxide, and crosslinked polymethylmethacrylate minispheres.

11-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said dye is a disperse dye.

23. (Previously Presented) The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said composition of matter is a molded article.

24. (Cancelled)

25. (Previously Presented) The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said dye is a water-insoluble dye selected from the group consisting of azo, diphenylamine and anthraquinone compounds.

26. (Cancelled)

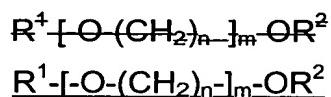
27. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 10 wherein said resinous component is an aromatic polycarbonate.

28. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 10 wherein said resinous component is a polymerizate of allyldiglycol carbonate.

29-33. (Cancelled)

34. (Currently Amended) A dye composition comprising consisting of:

- (a) 94 to 96 percent by weight of water,
- (b) a tinctorial amount of at least one dye,
- (c) 1 to 2 percent by weight of a carrier represented by the following formula,



wherein R² and R¹ are each independently selected from H, C₁₋₁₈ alkyl, benzyl, benzoyl or phenyl radical, n is 2 or 3, and m is 2-35; and

- (d) optionally 3 to 4 percent by weight of a emulsifier selected from at least one of: ionic emulsifiers; amphoteric emulsifiers; and non-ionic emulsifiers selected from at least one of C₁₄-C₁₈ ethoxylated unsaturated fatty acids, octylphenoxy polyethyleneoxyethanol and poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), alpha-phenyl-omega-hydroxy, styrenated, the percents by weight being based on the weight of said dye composition,

wherein said dye composition is prepared by,

- (i) mixing said dye with said carrier and optionally said emulsifier to form a dye-carrier mixture, and
- (ii) adding water to said dye-carrier mixture to form said dye composition.

35. (Previously Presented) The dye composition of Claim 34 wherein said dye is a disperse dye.

36. (Previously Presented) The dye composition of Claim 34 wherein said dye is a water-insoluble dye selected from the group consisting of azo, diphenylamine and anthraquinone compounds.